

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 30-A: MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES**  
**HEADING: PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (new)**  
**Chapter 187: PLANNING AND LAND USE REGULATION**  
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**§4357-A. COMMUNITY LIVING ARRANGEMENTS**

**1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Community living arrangement" means a housing facility for 8 or fewer persons with disabilities that is approved, authorized, certified or licensed by the State. A community living arrangement may include a group home, foster home or intermediate care facility. [1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).]

B. "Disability" has the same meaning as the term "handicap" in the federal Fair Housing Act, 42 United States Code, Section 3602. [1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).]

[ 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW) . ]

**2. Single-family use.** In order to implement the policy of this State that persons with disabilities are not excluded by municipal zoning ordinances from the benefits of normal residential surroundings, a community living arrangement is deemed a single-family use of property for the purposes of zoning.

[ 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).

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